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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION

OF: AHLERS ET AL.

SERIAL No. 09/937,310

FILED: SEPTEMBER 24, 2001

FOR: CATALYST COMPRISING A METAL COMPLEX OF THE VIII SUBGROUP BASED ON A PHOSHINE AMIDITE LIGAND AND ITS UTILIZATION FOR HYDROFORMYLATION AND HYDROCYANATION

CONFIRMATION NO.: 1838

GROUP ART UNIT: 1755

EXAMINER:

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Sir:

In reply to the Office action of February 25, 2004, it is respectfully requested that the following amendment and remarks be entered and considered for further prosecution of the above-identified application:

A M E N D M E N T

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel Claim 10, amend Claims 1 to 6 and 9, and enter new Claim 11 as indicated in the Listing of Claims set forth in Appendix I attached to this paper.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Amend the Abstract as indicated in Appendix II attached to this paper.

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